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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

April 20, 2007 Through May 19, 2007

Portola Courthouse For Plumas and Sierra Counties in Portola, CA

The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties that the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), the staff agency of the Judicial Council of California, is proposing that the Judicial Council of California adopt a mitigated negative declaration for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for a new courthouse in Portola, CA (see map on the following page). The AOC proposes to acquire a parcel in Portola, construct a new courthouse facility, and operate the facility for cross-jurisdictional use by the Superior Court of California, County of Plumas and Superior Court of California, County of Sierra. The new courthouse will improve access to judicial facilities for residents of Plumas County and Sierra County, provide courthouse facilities that meet current building standards for public use; provide facilities to support new judicial services and additional judges; and provide improved security for public visitors, judges, and courthouse staff. The AOC has prepared a Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration to comply with requirements of CEQA; the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration disclose and evaluate the project's environmental impacts.

WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide you with the opportunity to learn more about the proposed project and to provide comments to the AOC concerning the proposed project. The deadline for submitting comments is May 19, 2007.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE?

The AOC encourages your participation. You may submit comments concerning the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration to:

Mr. Jerry Ripperda
Administrative Office of the Courts
Northern/Central Regional Office
2860 Gateway Oaks, Suite 400
Sacramento, CA 95833-3509
E-mail: Jerry.Ripperda@jud.ca.gov or FAX: 916-263-8140.

All mail must be postmarked by 5 PM on May 19, 2007. The deadline for e-mailed comments or faxed comments is 5 PM on May 19, 2007.

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The AOC will hold a public meeting at the location listed below on May 10, 2007 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM to discuss the CEQA documents and receive public comments:

City of Portola City Hall
35 Third Avenue
Portola, CA

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

You may request a copy of the document by sending a request for the document to:

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Alternatively, you may download a copy of the document from the following website:

["http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/occm/projects_portola.htm ."](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/occm/projects_portola.htm)

In addition, copies of the CEQA document will be available for review in the government document repositories of the following library:

Plumas County Public Library
445 Jackson Street
Quincy, CA

The full administrative record for the project is available at: Administrative Office Of The Courts, Office of Court Construction and Management, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102-3668. Please call 415-865-4017 for an appointment.

CONTACT

If you have questions about the project or wish to discuss the project, please contact Mr. Jerry Ripperda, at 916-263-8865 or by e-mail at the address listed above.

Map of Portola Vicinity

